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Examiner: Fiorilla, C.

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For: PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING (U,PU)O₂ MIXED OXIDE NUCLEAR FUEL
PELLETS FROM NON-FREE-FLOWING UO₂ POWDER

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two (2) months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of June 4, 2003 to November 4, 2003.

A check for the statutory fee of \$420.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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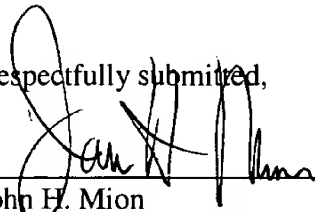
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